

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 591

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Wanda Martin Valentine  
of Newport.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness and a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the death of Wanda Martin Valentine; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Valentine was a distinguished citizen of the state of Tennessee who generously contributed her time and talents to the Newport community; and

WHEREAS, a native of Cocke County, she was the wife of Dr. Fred M. Valentine, Jr., who served admirably as mayor of Newport from 1966 to 1982; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Valentine was the daughter of the late Burke and Florence Martin, and attended Edwina School and graduated from Cocke County High School in 1945, where she was known for her academic, leadership and basketball abilities. After graduation she attended Knoxville Business College, moved to Washington D.C. and returned to Tennessee to marry her childhood sweetheart, Dr. Valentine; and

WHEREAS, she was an active and devout member of the First United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, the legacy that Wanda Valentine leaves behind will be remembered and treasured by her friends and associates for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, she is survived by her husband, Dr. Fred M. Valentine, Jr., of Newport; her daughter and son-in-law, Vickie Valentine and Victor L. Hart, Jr., of Louisville; her grandson, Victor L. Hart, III of Louisville; her aunt, Zoe Clark, of Newport; and many cousins; and

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WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to remember the exemplary life of this fine Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Wanda Martin Valentine, remembering with admiration her exemplary character and many selfless contributions to the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Wanda Martin Valentine.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.